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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR MINES & MINERALS DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 4th July, 2020

No.PEM.83/2019/14.- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and 1(A) of Section 15 and Section 23C of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (67 of 1957), the Governor of Assam hereby pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Assam Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2013, hereinafter referred to as the principal Rules, for regulating the grant of various forms of mineral concessions, in the manner herein after appearing, namely:-

Short title and commencement.

1.

- (1) These rules may be called the Assam Minor Mineral Concession (Amendment) Rules, 2020.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

Amendment of rule 8.

- 2. In the principal Rules, in rule 8,-
 - (i) for sub-rule (4), the following shall be substituted, namely:-
 - "(4) Rate of dead rent shall be as specified in the Third Schedule as per provision of section 9A of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (67 of 1957), as amended from time to time."

- (ii) after sub-rule (6), the following new sub-rule (7) shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "(7) The lessee shall be liable to pay royalty or dead rent whichever is higher but not the both."

Amendment of rule 35.

- 3. In the principal Rules, in rule 35,-
 - (i) for sub-rule (1), the following shall be substituted, namely:-
 - "(1) In case of lease, the intending bidder shall deposit the earnest money, equal to 0.5 percent of reserve price (0.25% for SCs & STs) and in case of contract/ permit, the intending bidder shall deposit the earnest money, equal to the 10 percent of reserve price in each case before commencement of competitive bid through e-auction or deposit with the bid, as the case may be."
 - (ii) for sub-rule (4), the following shall be substituted, namely:-
 - "(4) In case the highest bidder fails to deposit 10% of the annual bid amount towards the Initial bid security in terms of Bank Guarantee/Fixed Deposit his earnest money shall be forfeited and such bidder shall not be eligible to participate in any such auction/competitive bidding in respect of the same area or any other area in the State for a period of five years."

Amendment of Schedule-X

4. In the principal Rules, in the Schedule X, in Serial No (7), for the existing entries, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"Lime stone (when used in Kilns for manufacture of lime used as building materials)."

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